

good work. I have knowledge of a Sunday School teacher, and was once a member of her class, who interested the pupils in charitable work. Her efforts were not in vain. The poor were made happy; the pupils were bettered spiritually; and we know that she will receive her reward above. The pupil has more to do than simply be present. He too must prepare the lesson. The teacher must not be expected to do all the studying. Every member of the school should be in his place on time. It causes disturbance for any one to appear late. The pastor of the church is needed in the school. He very often holds no office, teaches no class, but his presence is felt and he does a great deal in making the school a success.

Above all, have Christ in your School. Do not let a Sabbath go by without holding Christ before the pupils as the great example. A story is told of a teacher who was reproved by the superintendent for preaching Christ when, as he claimed, the lesson was on temperance. She replied that she did not dare to let a Sabbath go by without telling the children of Christ for thro him they are saved. The teacher was quite right. She could teach temperance and Christ very well. There is no good thing which cannot be taught with Christ for he blesses all good.

Are you ever discouraged in your Sunday School work? Do you think you are accomplishing nothing? Do not be discouraged. Tho you may not see the fruit of your labor you may feel assured that if your work has been done in the Spirit of Christ it has not been in vain. When you feel discouraged think of the first Sunday School in America, also the first in the world, founded by John Wesley in the Empire State of the South. He was far from home, the waters of the Atlantic lay between him and old England, he was in a small colony of whites situated among wild Indians. Yet he worked with a will and the result is that today Sunday Schools may be found all over the world.

Blessed Sunday School! You have done much toward leading immortal souls heavenward. You have taught lessons, instilled good motives in many that have remained with them thro life. When the Lord makes up his jewels your works will be counted and crowned.

That ye bear much fruit! O how much fruit the thoughtful Christian may bear if he will. Every minute in the day we may sow the seeds of loving thoughts, gentle words, pleasant looks, or kindly deeds; and such sowing must surely result in a large and joyous fruition in this world, and in the world to come.

## The Mission Field.

### MISSIONARY READING CIRCLE.

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#### HOME MISSION NOTES.

The Christian churches of America give, on the average only one sixty-fourth of their ordained men to foreign missionary work.

When asked by a young Christian, "What shall I do for Christ?" Bishop Selwyn made this admirable missionary response, "Go where he is not found, and take him with you."

The first church of Newton, Mass., has an Extra-cent-a-day band, which has raised on the average of \$359.20 every year for five years. In all, \$1796.00 which has been divided between home and foreign missions.

Within twenty-five years the American Board has established eleven colleges (three of them for women) in foreign lands, and seven theological seminaries.

The gospel has made much progress among the Indians of the Canadian Pacific coast. They have the Scriptures in four languages. There are said to be 12,000 of them, two-thirds of this number have either been baptized or are regular attendants on Christian worship.

Home missionaries of the Presbyterian church require, to carry on their preaching to the many nationalities reached by them in this country, thirty languages and dialects. The Congregational Home Missionary Society sends out 227 missionaries that are compelled to use languages other than English.

In a recent address Dr. Lorimer tells how his church has managed to keep up its prosperity after a disastrous fire three years ago. It was by giving as much as ever before to missions and to charity.

A New York writer and religious worker is showing his missionary spirit by regularly publishing in several leading daily newspapers several columns of brightly written matter concerning current affairs in the church.

It takes 7,862 of our American church

members to support one foreign missionary, making an average of forty cents a year that each church member gives to missions.

There are in the United States 15,500,000 Protestant Evangelical church members. If each of these would add to their present missionary contributions but one cent each day, there would be added to the sums available for missionary work \$56,575,000 a year.

### HOW CAN THE S. S. C. E. AID IN MISSION WORK?

EFFIE BRUMBAUGH.

It has long been a recognized fact that woman by nature is more susceptible to the feelings and needs of humanity than man. Her keenness of sympathy manifests itself on every hand. When physical pain is obvious, the expression of the same almost rends the heart strings of her being. It was she who was last at the cross and first at the tomb of our blessed Redeemer. And how touchingly does Christ picture her sympathetic nature; it showed itself to him in the Bethany family. But she is not materialistic alone in her benevolence. Step into almost any modern church and her advanced spirituality over her brother's is also proven by her peculiar loyalty to God's house. Indeed, her spirituality seems to be but a counterpart of her integrity. Seeing then her extreme sensitiveness to duty, can we doubt her loyalty to her Master's last command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." But how may we do this? Think with me if the heathen nations are to be characterized, and if the semi-religious nations are to be regenerated, it means that there must be a greater activity among the so-called Christian nation, and that largely among the young Christians who are strong.

My Christian sisters, do we comprehend the vastness of the work that devolves upon us? Home mission work rests almost exclusively upon our shoulders, and the impetus which propels foreign missions may indirectly, lie within us. As to home missions each community has its peculiar needs. In these distressing times when Christian people are called upon to minister to the physical wants of the wretched, there is on every such occasion an opportunity for feeding the greater wants of the soul. When Christ fed the thousands upon the mountains, it was simply subservient to the greater needs which he was supplying. Unselfish acts of kindness are far more precious than gold.

Money raised and sent to more self-sacrificing ones in foreign lands is largely